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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A direct forwarding scanning system and method of operation. The direct forwarding system scans an object item on a scanner to produce image data and directly forwards the image data to a remote server computer via a user-end computer. The remote server computer executes an application program for processing incoming data. The user-end computer transmits image data to the remote server computer. The scanner is coupled to the user-end computer. The scanner includes a button for initiating the scanning of an object item and directly forwarding the scanned data to the remote server computer via the user-end computer.